

About the City of Florence

The City of Florence is the tenth largest city in Kentucky and is located in the 71st most rapidly growing county in the country. Florence has approximately 26,300 residents and is located in Boone County, Kentucky just 10 miles south of the City of Cincinnati, Ohio. Florence is home to a large number of employers in the industrial fields and many hotels, restaurants and shopping centers. The City of Florence is situated within 600 miles of 60% of the U.S. population, 58% of the country's manufacturing firms, and 59% of the nation's purchasing power. Florence is a full service community offering police, fire, EMS/ALS, water, sewer, public services, recreation, and administrative support services.

Our phenomenal growth can be partially attributed to our proximity to most major modes of transportation including I-71, I-75, I-275, the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport and the Ohio River. The portion of interstate 71/75 that traverses the City of Florence maintains one of the highest average daily traffic counts along I-71/75 in the nation totaling 144,000 vehicles per day. The award winning Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport transports more than 20,800,000 passengers per year to destinations worldwide. Statistics from 2005 provided by the Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky Association of Realtors show Florence leading all Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky communities in total homes sales with 925 including an average home sale price of \$154,695.

Because of our consistent growth and conservative fiscal management policies, the City of Florence is able to offer top quality professional services at low tax rates for the residents and business sectors of our community. City services feature a 58 member state accredited police department; a 82 member paid/volunteer fire/EMS department at three fire stations; a 63 member Public Services Department that manage water, sewer, storm water, streets, sidewalks, buildings, grounds, fleet services, and capital improvement projects; modern family oriented recreational facilities include an aquatic center, state of the art skate park, and several other parks featuring traditional recreational amenities. Our award winning web site offers the opportunity to view City news at www.florence-ky.gov

The City of Florence has a Mayor-Council form of government with non-partisan, at large elections. The Mayor is elected every four years and the six-member City Council is elected every two years. The City is in the 66th Legislative District, 11th Senatorial District and the 4th U.S. Congressional District.

CITY OF FLORENCE & AREA POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS

2006 Florence Population*	26,341
2006 Boone County Population*	106,732
2005 Northern Kentucky Population*	342,683
2005 Labor Market Area*	2,033,148

^{*}Source: Northern Kentucky Tri-County Economic Development Corporation

POPULATION PROJECTIONS*

Location	2006 Population	2011 Population Projection
Florence	26,341	31,044
Boone County	106,732	125,243
Northern Kentucky	342,683	359,711

2006 CITY OF FLORENCE/BOONE COUNTY TAX RATES

PROPERTY TAX (Listed as rate per \$1,000 of assessed value)

City Property Tax	\$ 2.46
County/State Tax	\$ 3.38
County School Tax	\$ 5.24
Total Property Tax	\$11.08

TANGIBLE PROPERTY TAX (Listed as rate per \$1,000 of assessed value)

City Tangible Tax	\$ 4.750
County/State Tax	\$ 8.408
County School Tax	\$ 5.250
Total Tangible Property Tax	\$18.408

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE TAX

City Occupational License Tax	.001% of Gross Receipts (min. tax \$40.00, max tax \$10,000)
County Tax	.008% of Gross Receipts (max. tax \$321.15
County School Tax	.005% of Gross Receipts (no max.)
Total Occupational License Tax	.014% of Gross Receipts

INSURANCE PREMIUM TAX

City Insurance Premium Tax	8%

PAYROLL TAX

City Payroll Tax Rate	2%

Boone County Kentucky Median Household Income

County	1989	1997	1998	1999	2005
Boone	\$44,991	\$48,999	\$51,323	\$53,593	\$59,329

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development

Florence/Boone County Housing Data

2000 Boone County Median Value of Owner-Occupied Housing Units*	\$131,800
2002 Boone County Median Home Price**	\$141,820
2006 Total Households in Boone County#	39,314
2005 Florence Average Home Sale Price***	\$154,695

[#] Source: Northern Kentucky Tri-County Economic Development Corporation

Florence New Housing Unit Starts

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Number of	314	921	299	365	188	238
Units						

Source: Boone County Building Inspection Department

Boone County Labor Force Data#

Civilian Labor Force	53,404
Employment	51,268
Unemployment	2,136
Unemployment Rate	4.0%

Top Employers by Headcount in Boone County (300 or More)#

Delta Connection Comair	4,100	Thomson	500
		Learning	
Delta Air Lines, Inc.	3,600	Pomeroy IT	425
		Solutions, Inc.	
Citi	2,525	Cincinnati/N	417
		KY Int'l Airport	
Boone Co. Board of	2,400	Toyota N. A.	400
Education		Parts Center	
Schwan's Food Mfg., Inc.	1,050	Staples Direct	400
St. Luke Hospital West	993	Nielsen (A	400
		Moore Co.)	
Duro Bag Mfg. Co.	880	WILD Flavors	378
UPS Supply chain -	850	ZF Boga	360
Addidas		Elastmetal	
Toyota Motor Mfg. N.A.,	755	KECO	360
HQ		Industries	
Mubea, Inc	603	ArvinMeritor	350
		Automotive	

^{*} Source: U.S. Census Bureau

^{**}Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development

^{***}Source: Northern Kentucky Association of Realtors

Gap, Inc.	600	Aristech	350
		Acrylics LLC	
Mazak Corp.	538	Hennegan Co.	300
Levi Strauss \$ Co	500	Krauss-Maffei	300
		Corp.	
ZF Sachs Automotive	500	L'Oreal	300

Population by Selected Age Groups, 2000

Northern Kentucky Area: Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

Age	Number	Percent
Under 18	87,260	26.8
18 – 24	30,001	9.8
25 – 34	49,032	14.0
35 – 44	55,227	16.9
45 – 54	43,616	13.4
55 –64	26,060	8.0
65-74	19,134	5.9
75 and older	15,741	4.8
Median Age	33.4	-

Labor Market Area: Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

Age	Number	Percent
Under 18	466,916	26.3
18 – 24	172,896	9.8
25 – 34	248,744	14.0
35 – 44	289,544	16.3
45 – 54	238,441	13.4
55 –64	145,686	8.2
65-74	112,484	6.3
75 and older	98,200	5.5
Median Age	34.9	-

Northern Kentucky Population by Race: Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

Race	Number	Percent
White	317,401	95.0
Black	9,654	2.9
Asian, Pacific Islander	3,162	.9
American Indian	658	.2
Hispanic Origin	4,820	1.4

Labor Market Area Population by Race: Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

Race	Number	Percent
White	1,505,425	84.3
Black	230,232	12.9
Asian, Pacific Islander	27,166	1.5
American Indian	3,535	.2
Hispanic Origin	22,098	1.2

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